

### Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-29 are pending in the application. The Office has rejected claims 1-29 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chow et al. (U.S. Patent 5,875,334) in view of Oracle ("PL/SQL User's Guide and Reference"). In light of the arguments below, Applicant asks the Office to reconsider these rejections and to allow all of the claims.

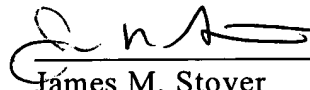
#### The 103(a) Rejections over Chow in view of Oracle

Applicant is submitting declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 by co-inventors Rolf Günter Erich Stegelmann and Jeetendra Chaware which establish that the invention claimed in the subject application was reduced to practice on or before January 4, 2001. Reduction to practice of the invention on or before January 4, 2001 is evidenced by a proprietary document entitled "Performance Characterization For Teradata RDBMS Stored Procedures (TDSP) Feature In V2R4.1" dated January 4, 2001, which is included with the noted declarations. January 4, 2001 is before the earliest date of publication of the Oracle reference found by either the Office or by Applicant upon further investigation. Accordingly, all of Applicant's claims are allowable over Chow in view of Oracle.

Conclusions

In light of the foregoing, Applicant asks the Office to reconsider this application and to allow all of the claims. Please apply any charges that might be due, excepting the issue fee but including fees for extensions of time, to deposit account 14-0225.

Respectfully,

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